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'These tragedies must end'



U.S. President Barack Obama speaks at an interfaith vigil on Sunday in memory of the shooting victims of Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn. In an impassioned speech, Obama noted this was the fourth time in his presidency he had to visit a community in the aftermath of a mass shooting. More coverage, pages 8 & 10. OLIVIER DOULIERY/POOL/GETTY IMAGES

Newtown, Conn.
Barack Obama pays tribute to the victims of Friday's mass shooting

He spoke for a nation in sorrow, but the slaughter of all those little boys and girls left U.S. President Barack Obama, like so many others, reaching for words. Alone on a spare stage, Obama was a parent in grief.

"I am very mindful that mere words cannot match the depth of your sorrow, nor can they heal your wounded hearts," Obama said at an evening vigil in the grieving community of Newtown, Conn. "I can only hope that it helps for you to know that you are not alone in your grief."

The massacre on Friday of 26 children and adults at Sandy Hook Elementary elicited horror around the world, soul-searching in the United States, fresh political debate about gun control and questions about the incomprehensible — what drove the suspect to act.

It also left a newly re-elected president openly grappling for bigger answers. "Can we say that we're truly doing enough to give all the children of this country the chance they deserve to live out their lives in

A child's question

"The little children, are they with the angels?"

A six-year-old Newtown girl to her mother, in the aftermath of the carnage.

happiness and with purpose? I've been reflecting on this the last few days," Obama said, as some in the audience wept.

"If we're honest with ourselves, the answer is no."

He promised to lead a national effort but left unclear what it would be and how much it would address the explosive issue of gun control.

"What choice do we have?" Obama said. "Are we really prepared to say that we're powerless in the face of such carnage, that the politics are too hard?"

"We can't tolerate this any more. These tragedies must end. And to end them, we must change."

He closed his remarks by slowly reading the first names of each of the 26 victims.

For Obama, ending his fourth year in office, it was another sorrowful visit to another community in disbelief. All the victims were killed up close by multiple rifle shots. The toll: Six adults and 20 boys and girls, all of whom were just six or seven years old.

Privately, Obama told Con-

necticut Gov. Dannel Malloy that Friday was the most difficult day of his presidency.

The president first met privately with families of the victims and with the emergency personnel who responded to the shootings. That meeting happened at Newtown High School, the site of Sunday night's interfaith vigil.

"We're halfway between grief and hope," said Curt Brantl, whose fourth-grade daughter was in the library of the elementary school when the shootings occurred. She was not harmed.

Police and firefighters got hugs and standing ovations when they entered. So did Obama.

"We needed this," said the Rev. Matt Crebbin, senior minister of the Newtown Congregational Church. "We need to be together here in this room. ... We needed to be together to show that we are together and united."

Still, many of Newtown's 27,000 people wondered if life could ever return to normal.

"I feel like we have to get back to normal but I don't know if there is a normal anymore," said Kim Camputo, mother of two children, ages five and 10, who attend a different school. "I'll definitely be dropping them off and picking them up myself for a while."

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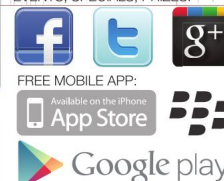


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Residents associations hope city will finally clarify tax status

Depending on the year, some residents associations in Calgary have been exempt from property taxes while others have paid either full or partial bills.

But that inconsistency could soon change, if council approves a plan on Monday to codify the organizations' tax status in a new bylaw.

Not to be confused with community associations, residents associations (RAs) are non-profit groups that, through the collection of mandatory fees on properties in a given neighbourhood, provide improvements to that neighbourhood, typically by building and maintaining recreational facilities.

"We're a recreational facility that requires no tax dollars," said Chris Tomiyama, general manager of the Tuscany RA, which provides a gymnasium, wading pool, pleasure rink, hockey rink and tennis courts for nearly 19,000 people in the city's northwest.

But because the Tuscany Club is open only to Tuscany residents, some aldermen are opposed to granting tax-exempt status to it and similar RAs.

Ald. Jim Stevenson, however, said RAs save the city money by providing much-needed recreational opportunities in numerous Calgary communities. "We need to encourage this, not discourage it," he said.

Linda Knight of the Mahogany Homeowners Association believes a city bylaw will bring some clarity to the issue, which has been disputed at provincial appeal boards for more than a decade.

"The bylaw will solve it because it will very clearly state that, as long as we meet certain criteria, we're entitled to that tax exemption," Knight said. **ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO**



Friends and family of Duncan McRae gathered at South Fish Creek Recreation Complex over the weekend to pay tribute to him and raise money for KidSport Alberta. Here, Duncan's parents, Allison and Sandy McRae, are seen with good friends Nicole Fry and Kellen Beggs. **JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO**

Hockey tourney honours avid athlete

Legacy. Spirit of Calgary youngster Duncan McRae lives on after he was killed in freak accident



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It was the kind of weekend Duncan McRae lived for.

Twenty teams in five divisions lacing up their skates and hitting the ice for four days of high-level hockey.

Sadly, McRae was not able to skate alongside his comrades from Shaw Meadows Hockey Association — the

13-year-old was killed in a freak longboarding accident this past August.

But those participating in the inaugural Duncan McRae Memorial Tournament did so with thoughts of the enthusiastic athlete on their mind and a careful eye on his jersey, which was hoisted to the arena rafters at South Fish Creek Recreation Complex during an opening ceremony Friday night.

"It gives it a lot more meaning," said defenceman Perry Wulder, who played with McRae two years ago. "Now, we play for him.... He worked hard until the last whistle. He'd skate until he couldn't skate anymore."

Money raised through a silent auction at the tourna-

Memorial fund

- A memorial fund in Duncan McRae's name has also been set up through Scotiabank and Alberta Treasury Branch.

ment went to benefit KidSport Alberta, which partnered with the McRae family to put on the event.

Duncan's parents, Sandy and Allison McRae, were in attendance Sunday delivering sportsmanship medals to some of the athletes and said they couldn't be happier with the how the weekend turned out.

"He was very polite boy," recalled Sandy. "He got along

with all the parents and coaches and was very easy to coach. Sports was his life — this kind of thing is excellent."

Shaw Meadows Hockey Association hosted the tournament and plans to run it every year in Duncan's honour, Sandy said.

To provide a little inspiration to the hundreds of youngsters competing over the weekend, the McRaes turned back to their son, including a few passages from Duncan's personal journal in the tournament program.

"Life is amazing," he once wrote. "Enjoy every moment of it."



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Cycling advocates see potential in LRT-adjacent bike routes



City cycling groups are applauding one city alderman's suggestion that a north-south bike lane be laid on the south LRT line's right-of-way. METRO FILE

Multi-modal routes.

Possibility of paved routes parallel to rail rights-of-way 'just makes sense,' according to one alderman

As Calgary considers the future of its transit system, one idea that is being bandied about is the construction of bicycle lanes parallel to rapid-transit rights-of-way.

Ald. Brian Pincott said he thinks the current south LRT line is a perfect spot to pilot such a project, given that the flat land provides a straight route to and from downtown adjacent to Macleod Trail, large sections of which are too dangerous for most cyclists.

"There are so many little service roads that just run along parallel to the LRT line," Pincott said. "It would be great if we could turn those into useable, accessible bike lanes."

Other cities' approaches

- Denver's new light-rail line, currently under construction, includes bicycle lanes "running parallel to the West Rail Line for the majority of the alignment," according to the project's website.
- The Times newspaper in London recently reported on a "SkyCycle" project under consideration that would create routes suspended in the air "by attaching dedicated cycle paths to existing railway viaducts."

Calgary Transit director Doug Morgan said the idea is feasible and while no specific plans have yet been made, it's something that is at least being considered.

"We haven't landed on anything, but certainly it's one of the options we're looking at,"

Morgan said.

Richard Zach of Bike Calgary said a paved lane adjacent to the south LRT line "would be perfect for a bike route" between downtown and south Calgary.

"The main thoroughfare is Macleod, that you basically cannot bike on unless you are really, really, really hardcore," he said.

Other north-south roads are hilly and indirect, Zach said, and the Bow River Pathway, while beautiful, is also too circuitous and its 20 km/h speed limit makes it a poor choice for cycle commuting.

Ideally, Pincott said cyclists could also hop on and off the C-Train with their bikes, though that is currently a challenge when the trains are crowded and the practice is not allowed during peak hours.

"It'd be nice to figure out a way to incorporate bikes into transit more," he said.

"We just have so many barriers to that now."

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Cloned vehicles a top concern for police



Thieves are using vehicle-identification numbers found online to "clone" automobiles stolen locally and hide background information from police.

ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

More and more, vehicle thieves in Calgary are leaving police seeing double.

In fact, the practice of vehicle cloning is becoming so prevalent that Staff Sgt. Robert Rutledge said the auto-theft unit he leads has made the crime its top priority.

Cloning sees thieves head online to find a vehicle-identification number (VIN) of a vehicle for sale out of province that is the same model as one they have stolen.

The thieves then pry off the VIN plate put on by the manufacturer, replace it with a fake

one and have a mandatory, out-of-province inspection performed at one of multiple city auto-body shops willing to illegally turn a blind eye.

"It's unbelievable," Rutledge said. "Before I came on, (investigators) found about 80 of these in the province earlier this year. These guys make a whole pile of money, and the buyer, when we go to take the vehicle back, is left with nothing."

The Better Business Bureau serving Southern Alberta and East Kootenays has also noticed a rise in vehicle cloning. President and chief executive

of the BBB Sandra Crozier-McKee said the key to prevention often lies in common sense.

"The first thing is take note of the price," she said. "If it's too good to be true, that's your first red flag."

Rutledge said there are potentially hundreds of cloned vehicles being sold in Alberta every year. His investigators are now routinely poring over the records kept by shops performing vehicle inspections and Service Alberta is working to improve vehicle-record sharing with other provinces.

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How to protect yourself

- When purchasing a vehicle outside of a dealership, ask the seller for multiple types of government-issued ID.
- Head online to sites like Carfax.com and one run by the Canadian Police Information Centre at chic-cipc.ca to determine the vehicle's history and whether the timeline for it arriving in Calgary is reasonable.
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Holt Renfrew's senior manager of visual merchandising, Jesse Williams, and his team craft, paint and style the high-end retailer's Christmas window displays in-store. LISA WILTON/METRO

Window displays boost Christmas cheer and sales

Judging a store by its cover. On Day 8 of Metro's 12 Days of Christmas, we look at local stores that spend weeks and months on holiday installations

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In New York City, storefront Christmas displays are big, sometimes bold and always beautiful.

From Saks and Macy's to Barneys and Bloomingdale's, Christmas window installations are taken very seriously.

Though storefront holiday displays aren't as much of a tradition in Calgary, there are still some businesses that put a great deal of effort into giving customers an extra dose of Christmas spirit.

Upscale retailer Holt Renfrew, located on 8 Avenue and 4 Street S.W. boasts one of the largest Christmas window displays in the city.

Well-dressed mannequins ice skating, building a snowman and throwing snowballs are among the fun, wintry

scenes included in the store's streetside displays.

With 10 large windows and 125,000 square feet of interior space to fill, Holt Renfrew's senior manager of visual merchandising, Jesse Williams, and his team of artists, craftspeople and stylists spent more than two months creating fun, eye-popping yuletide scenes and in-store focal points.

"Everything is hand-painted and handcrafted," says Williams.

"Everything is somebody sitting at a studio table for a season preparing."

Williams gets initial direc-

tion and renderings for each year's Christmas theme from the chain's head office, but he says he's given enough freedom to take the displays "to the next level."

In fact, Calgary's Holt Renfrew won the chain's best Christmas display award for the second year in a row.

"A successful Christmas display is one that comes off as refined, but is also commercial enough to sell merchandise," explains Williams.

"Our goal here is to always inspire customers through our displays. It's a major undertaking."

Other stores such as The

Bay downtown and Reid's Stationery on 17th Avenue, also greet customers with colourful exhibits.

Reid's 17th Avenue neighbour, Rubaiyat, has two windows featuring a richly coloured traditional European Santa theme.

"We always have children in mind," says co-owner Pam Haight, who has done a Christmas window display each year for the past 39 years.

"So we always try to have something whimsical or fun to look at... People like it. If we don't hear feedback about the windows, then we would think we've done a bad job."

Gateway

Redford concerned about pipeline access

Premier Alison Redford said she will continue to travel the country and the continent to make the case for Alberta's oil and for the pipelines needed to deliver it.

In a year-end interview with Metro, Redford said the lack of pipeline access is a crucial issue for the province and is costing companies and the government money.

"It is a bigger concern now, and we are seeing an almost \$20 differential in the price," she said.

Redford said that issue is why she spends more time travelling than her predecessors.

"It is one of the reasons I spend some time outside of the province, making sure that we are talking about our environmental reputation, what sustainability looks like and what the Alberta economy means to other parts of North America and Canada," she said.

Hearings on the proposed Gateway pipeline will continue into 2013, but the project has failed to win much political support in B.C.

Redford said Alberta will stay out of B.C.'s election, but will try to make sure all the facts come out, both about the project and about the oil sands.

"We will continue to talk about why we think this is important to Canada and British Columbia and, from what I hear, in British Columbia leading up to their provincial election in May, there is a lot of public conversation about this."

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Smelter cleanup decision could have ripple effect

Landmark case.

Ruling on cleaning up contamination from B.C. smelter has Canada, U.S. asking for bilateral solution

On a beach in northeast Washington state near the Canadian border, Patti Bailey grabs a handful of what looks like sand and rolls the dark grains through her hands.

It's slag, the grainy waste from the Teck Resources lead and zinc smelter in Trail, B.C., about 10 kilometres north of the nearby Canadian border.

"They're little time bombs and they're releasing zinc, copper, arsenic and other metals into the environment," said Bailey, an environmental planner for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation.

A Washington state judge has ruled that Teck is liable for the costs of cleaning up contamination in the Columbia River south of the border from decades of dumping slag and effluent from the company's Trail operations.

In a decision announced late last week, Judge Lonny Suko ruled that, "for decades Teck's leadership knew its slag and effluent flowed from Trail downstream and are now found in Lake Roosevelt, but nonetheless Teck continued discharging wastes into the Columbia River."

Suko noted that the company admitted treating the international waterway as a free waste disposal service. Specifically, the judge in Yakima, Wash., found that from 1930 to 1995, Teck intentionally discharged at least 9.97 million tons of slag that included heavy



A worker wears a breathing apparatus while erecting scaffolding at Teck Mining Company's zinc and lead smelting and refining complex in Trail, B.C., on Nov. 28. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

metals such as lead, mercury, zinc and arsenic.

The judge also found that Teck knew the hazardous waste disposed of in the Columbia River was likely to cause harm.

The decision gives the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency the ability to force Teck to pay for the cleanup, and potentially for any ongoing damages and losses that result from the ongoing contamination.

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Cross-border issue

- Some believe the landmark case could have implications on both sides of the border. The Canadian government, the province of British Columbia and the U.S. National Mining Association have all intervened in the case to argue that the issue should be resolved bilaterally.

Army intelligence faces 'degradation,' budget cuts

The Canadian army is trying to hold on to its intelligence-gathering capability and its ability to disrupt spying in the face of budget strain, say internal National Defence documents.

A briefing note prepared for the country's top soldier shows the army has pushed the military's chief of intelligence to permanently staff "high-readiness" intelligence positions within brigades and all-source

intelligence centres that could be called upon to deploy overseas.

The documents, obtained by The Canadian Press under access to information laws, also show the army is anxious to protect its network of human sources and operatives, known as HUMINT, and to better resource its counter-intelligence abilities.

With the end of the war in

Afghanistan and a shrinking defence budget, there is a fear those disciplines could face "degradation."

The Canadian military's counter-intelligence section is a joint branch that investigates threats and possible security breaches. The memo suggests the army wants to develop its own, separate lower level capability, one similar to the U.S. Marine Corps. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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School massacre. Leftover ammo suggests an even deadlier plan: Police

The gunman in the Connecticut shooting rampage was carrying an arsenal of hundreds of rounds of especially deadly ammunition — enough to kill just about every student in the school if given enough time, authorities said on Sunday, raising the chilling possibility that the bloodbath could have been even worse.

Hours later, President Barack Obama told mourners at a vigil that the nation is failing to keep its children safe. He pledged to seek change in memory of the 26 teachers and schoolchildren who were killed in the second-deadliest school shooting in U.S. history.

The gunman, Adam Lanza, shot himself in the head just as he heard police drawing near to the classroom where he was slaughtering helpless children, but he had more ammunition at the ready.

Police said they found hundreds of unused bullets at the school, which enrolled about



Adam Lanza posing for a photo that appeared in the Newtown High School yearbook. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

450 students in kindergarten through fourth grade.

"There was a lot of ammo, a lot of clips," said state police Lt. Paul Vance. "Certainly a lot of lives were potentially saved."

The chief medical examiner has said the ammunition was the type designed to inflict the maximum amount of damage. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. Democrats call for gun restrictions

Second Amendment doubts. Advocates say the latest shooting in Connecticut could be a tipping point in contentious debate

Democratic lawmakers said Sunday that military-style assault weapons should be banned and a national commission established to examine mass shootings in the United States.

The proposals were among the first to come from Congress in the wake of Friday's school shooting in Newtown, Conn.

"Assault weapons were developed for the U.S. military, not commercial gun manufacturers," independent Sen. Joe Lieberman, a former Democrat, said before a vigil on Sunday night in Newtown.

"This is a moment to start a very serious national conversation about violence in our society, particularly about these acts of mass violence," the Connecticut senator said.

Gun-rights activists remained largely quiet on the issue, all but one declining to appear on the Sunday talk shows. Meanwhile, Democrats vowed action and said it was time to hear from voters — not gun lobbyists — on how to prevent the next shooting.

Speaking Sunday night at a vigil in Newtown, President Barack Obama did not specifically address gun control.



Cheryl Girardi, of Middletown, Conn., kneels beside 26 teddy bears, each representing a victim of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting, at a sidewalk memorial on Sunday in Newtown, Conn. A gunman walked into the elementary school in Newtown on Friday and opened fire, killing 26 people. DAVID GOLDMAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

No one harmed

Churchgoers flee after phone threat

Worshippers hurriedly left St. Rose of Lima Church in Newtown on Sunday when someone phoned in a threat. The threat interrupted a crowded Mass and touched off a large police response days after the worst massacre of school-age children in U.S. history.

Eight child victims, the gunman and his mother attended St. Rose of Lima.

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More online

Read and see more about the Newton, Conn., school shooting at metronews.ca, including:

- Portraits of shooting victims show lives at their very start, ended in a hail of gunfire.
- Gunman's father speaks of sympathy, heartbreak.
- Many employees at Connecticut school being hailed as heroes in wake of deadly shooting.



Deadly politics

Obama and Senate Democrats haven't pushed for new gun controls since rising to power in the 2008 national elections. Outspoken advocates for stricter laws, including Sen. Dianne Feinstein, say that's because of the powerful sway of the National Rifle Association.

- **Tipping point.** But advocates also say the latest shooting is a tipping point that could change the

dynamic of the debate dramatically. Feinstein said she will propose legislation next year that would ban big clips, drums and strips of more than 10 bullets.

- **Bloomberg.** New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Obama could use executive powers to enforce existing gun laws, as well as throw his weight behind legislation such as Feinstein's.

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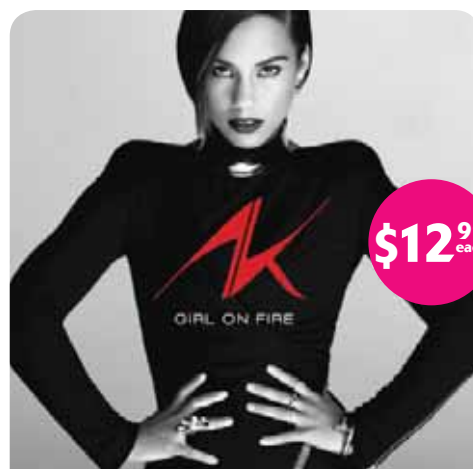
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Vatican

Pope offers his prayers to families

Pope Benedict XVI told pilgrims and tourists in St. Peter's Square on Sunday that he is praying for the families of the 20 children and six adults who were killed during a shooting rampage at a U.S. school.

Benedict said he was "deeply saddened by Friday's senseless violence ..."

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Missing women inquiry

Oppal to release Pickton report

The closest thing Marilyn Renter has ever had to a trial for her step-daughter's death is the inquiry into the failures that allowed Robert Pickton to target sex workers from Vancouver's Downtown Eastside.

On Monday, Renter will find out whether her long wait for justice has been answered as Commissioner Wally Oppal releases a report outlining why Pickton wasn't caught sooner and what should be done to prevent similar failures in the future.

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Possible contamination

Frozen-burger recall expanded

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is expanding a nationwide recall of frozen beef burgers that may be contaminated with E. coli bacteria. The public is now warned not to consume Cardinal Select brand Prime Rib Beef Burgers sold in 1.13 kilogram packages with a best before date of July 31, 2013.

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Student safety

School board reassures parents

A Halifax school board is reaching out to parents in the wake of the shooting in Newtown, Conn. "We want to reassure parents that we do have safety procedures in place," Doug Hadley, spokesperson for the school board, said on Sunday.

"The tragedy that happened in Connecticut is an unfortunate reminder that we'll have to be vigilant, and we have to do everything we can to ensure our students are safe."

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Victim of school massacre mourned in Winnipeg

Close to home.

Community offers their love and support to family of Connecticut shooting victim



ELISHA DACEY
Metro in Winnipeg

Members of a Winnipeg church and school are mourning a six-year-old girl, described as bright and talented, who died in a horrific school shooting in the U.S. on Friday.

Ana Marquez-Greene was one of the 20 children murdered in Newtown, Conn., in a rampage that left 28 dead, including the shooter and his mother. Ana, who moved back to Connecticut with her family after a few years in Winnipeg, was the daughter of University of Manitoba professor Jimmy Greene, an accomplished saxophone player.

Greene issued a statement via his Facebook page this weekend.

"Thank you for all of your



Ana Marquez-Greene, right, poses with her family. The six-year-old, who briefly attended elementary school in Winnipeg, was shot and killed Friday when a shooter opened fire at her school in Newtown, Conn. FACEBOOK.COM

prayers and kind words of support," reads the posting that was put up Saturday. "As we work through this nightmare, we're reminded how much we're loved and supported on this earth and by our Father in heaven. As much as she's needed here and missed by her mother, brother and me, Ana beat us all to paradise. I

love you sweetie girl."

Ana attended Linden Christian School while she lived in Winnipeg with her parents and her brother, Isaiah. Isaiah was also at the school during the shooting but escaped unharmed.

"As a community, let's uphold James, Nelba and their son Isaiah, as well as the many

individuals impacted by this tragedy, in prayer," said Linden Christian principal Rob Charach.

The family attended Whyte Ridge Baptist Community Church while in Canada, and the church had a vigil Friday night. Pastor Terry Janke said about 60 families showed.

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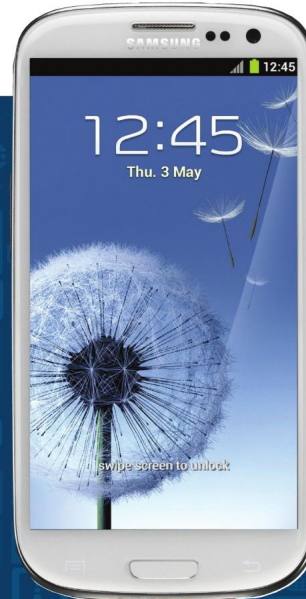
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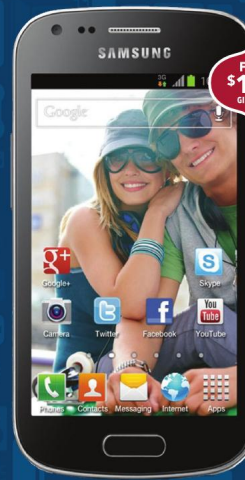
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Idle No More: Movement by First Nations activists grows with online push

First Nations activists are gearing up for a week of rallies as part of a growing grassroots movement known as Idle No More, which has drawn together communities across the country thanks to a powerful presence online.

Supporters say they are upset about the effects of the Harper government's policies on aboriginal communities. They want First Nations to be recognized as sovereign stakeholders in decisions affecting land and resources.

The movement has quickly gained momentum, particularly with a new generation of young, social-media-savvy activists. Thousands have used the #idlenomore hashtag on Twitter to debate issues and spread information about upcoming protests.

Events across the country — from Halifax, N.S., to Red Deer, Alta. — are posted on the group's website and on Facebook. After a round of protests on Dec. 10, more events are planned for this week, culminating in a rally on Parliament Hill on Friday.

Jan O'Driscoll, a spokeswoman for Aboriginal Affairs

Campaign

Tanya Kappo, an Edmonton activist who sent the first message with the #idlenomore hashtag, said discontent with the federal government has been simmering for some time.

- The campaign was started by four women from Saskatchewan against a number of bills before Parliament. They are particularly critical of Bill C-45, the government's omnibus budget legislation, which they say weakens environmental laws.

Minister John Duncan, said the department has made efforts to consult with aboriginal leaders. He said Duncan has also tried to reach out to Chief Theresa Spence of the Attawapiskat First Nation, who is entering the second week of a hunger strike that has become a cause célèbre for some First Nations activists.

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Same-sex marriage supporters rally in Paris

Demonstrators in Paris Sunday show their support for the Socialist government's plan to legalize same-sex marriage and adoptions. An estimated 60,000 to 150,000 people staged a peaceful march Sunday with banners reading "A Gay Marriage Is Better Than A Sad One" or "Single, Free in Solidarity." The words "equality" and "choice" dominated the march of male and female couples, children and supporters. French President Francois Hollande has said he would enact his "marriage for everyone" plan within a year of taking office last May. The text will go to parliament next month. But vocal opposition from religious leaders, some politicians and parts of rural France has divided the country.

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Threats to peace?

Pope's comment sparks protest

Activists angered by Pope Benedict XVI's recent comment about gay marriage held a small protest in St. Peter's Square Sunday during the pontiff's weekly address there.

In his annual peace message released by the Vatican on Friday, the pontiff called gay marriage, and abortion, threats to peace.

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South Africa

Mandela praised at convention

Nelson Mandela's political party, the African National Congress, sang praises for the anti-apartheid icon as they opened their Mangaung convention in Bloemfontein Sunday. The 94-year-old leader remained under doctors' care for a lung infection in the longest hospitalization he's faced since leaving prison decades ago.

He also underwent endoscopic surgery on Saturday to remove gallstones. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Landslide victory

Right-wing party wins big in Japanese election

Japan's conservative Liberal Democratic Party returned to power in a landslide election victory Sunday after three years in opposition, according to unofficial results, signalling a rightward shift in the government that could further heighten tensions with China, a key economic partner as well as rival. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Headache

Clinton suffers concussion

Secretary of State Hillary Clinton sustained a concussion last week after becoming extremely dehydrated and fainting while suffering from a stomach virus, the State Department said.

The doctors did not determine it to be a "severe" concussion, the official said. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Venezuela

Chavez recovers as country goes to polls

Venezuelans were choosing governors and state lawmakers on Sunday in elections seen as a key test of whether President Hugo Chavez's movement can endure if the socialist leader leaves the political stage.

The vote was the first time in Chavez's nearly 14-year-old presidency that he has been unable to actively campaign.

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Groups in Egypt call for redo of referendum's first phase

Alleged violations.
Ruling party accused of tampering with polling stations

Egyptian rights groups called Sunday for a repeat of the first round of the constitutional referendum, alleging the vote was marred by widespread violations.

Islamists who back the disputed charter claimed they were in the lead with a majority of "yes" votes, though official results have not been announced.

Representatives of seven rights groups charged that there was insufficient supervision by judges in Saturday's vote in 10 of Egypt's 27 provinces and independent monitors were prevented from witnessing vote counts.

The representatives told a news conference that they had reports of individuals falsely identifying themselves as judges, of women prevented from voting and that members of Islamist President Mohammed Morsi's Muslim

Security

120,000

The number of army troops that were deployed to help police protect polling stations and state institutions

Brotherhood were allowed inside polling stations. They also complained that some polling centres closed earlier than scheduled and that Christians were denied entry to polling stations.

The vote is the latest stage in a nearly two-year struggle over Egypt's identity since the ouster of longtime leader Hosni Mubarak in a popular uprising. The latest crisis over the Islamist-backed charter evolved into a fight — deadly at times — over whether Egypt should move toward a religious state under Morsi's Brotherhood and their ultraconservative Salafist allies, or one that retains secular traditions and an Islamic character.

Potentially adding to questions over the legitimacy of the vote is the low turnout in the first round — unofficially



A man walks near barbed wire set up by protesters in Tahrir Square in Cairo on Sunday. Key Egyptian rights groups called for another vote of the first round of the constitutional referendum. AMR NABIL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

estimated at 32 per cent, which if confirmed would be far lower than the presidential or parliamentary elections following Mubarak's fall. A

second round is to be held in the remaining 17 provinces on Saturday.

The draft constitution would empower Islamists to

carry out the most widespread and strictest implementation of Islamic law that modern Egypt has seen.

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Kim Jong Il mourned after successful launch

North Korea parlayed the success of last week's rocket launch to glorify leader Kim Jong Un and his late father on Sunday, the eve of the first anniversary of his death.

The successful firing of the rocket on Wednesday — ostensibly

to place a satellite in space — was a clear sign that Kim will continue his father Kim Jong Il's militaristic hardline policies despite international condemnation. The West sees the rocket as a thinly disguised way of carrying out UN-banned tests of

long-range missile technology, which it says not only threatens regional stability but is also a waste of resources when millions of North Koreans have little to eat in the famine-beset country crying out for economic reforms. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Pregnant princess. Kate attends first function since hospitalization

The pregnant Duchess of Cambridge made her first public appearance Sunday night since her hospitalization for acute morning sickness.

Looking healthy, the former Kate Middleton presented awards at the BBC Sports Personality of the Year prizes, which were broadcast throughout Britain. She wore a dark green outfit and seemed composed and comfortable, showing no signs of morning sickness.

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Kate, Duchess of Cambridge, on Sunday at a BBC awards program. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ikea monkey. Darwin's owner files lawsuit for the return of her pet

The owner of Darwin, the monkey in a faux shearling coat who escaped at a north Toronto Ikea store, has filed a lawsuit to get her pet back.

Toronto Animal Services captured Darwin during the incident last Sunday and transferred him to a primate

sanctuary in Sunderland. Yasmin Nakhuda's lawsuit names the sanctuary and alleges they have "unlawfully detained" the monkey. The suit also claims that officials only had the right to issue a ticket, not to seize the animal. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Ontario man's bunker built for any doomsday

Bring it on. Whether for a disaster or a nuclear catastrophe, this man has been ready for 50 years

Don't talk to Bruce Beach about doomsday. He's been preparing for impending disaster for a half-century and has seen apocalyptic agitation come and go, like so many fads.

So forgive him for not panicking over the end of the Mayan calendar on Dec. 21, this coming Friday.

The 78-year-old former high school teacher, who has a huge nuclear bunker in Ontario, built his first shelter for the Cuban missile crisis in the 1960s.

He was prepared to go underground for the Y2K crisis, amid widespread concern that computer glitches might bring down airplanes in 2000. He received lots of calls from people seeking shelter during the 1982 Falk-



Bruce Beach shows off the living quarters in his underground bunker in Horning's Mills, Ont. THE CANADIAN PRESS

lands War. But his busiest day was Sept. 11, 2001, when his website was bombarded with 85,000 hits within three hours.

People regularly drop in to seek refuge in the shelter he built in the 1980s, named the Ark Two, which is composed of 42 buried school buses.

His most recent visit was three weeks ago.

The labyrinth, with its

kitchens, showers and separate bunk rooms for children and adults, is about 90 kilometres northwest of Toronto, in Horning's Mills, Ont.

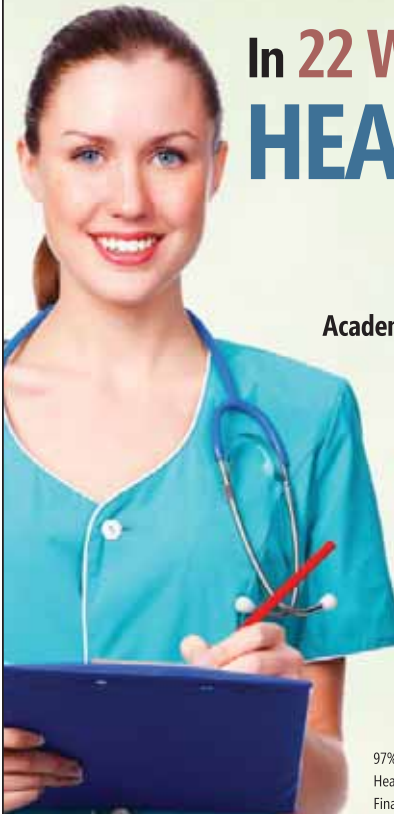
"People have been in a panic because someone has prophesied the end of the world this particular week or whatever," Beach said in a phone interview from his home.

"They call us up just to

make sure we have space in the shelter and I tell them, 'For sure, come on down.'"

Beach's main concern has always been the threat of nuclear attacks, which he fears are even closer than ever because of Middle East conflicts and Iran's weapons program.

Beach says the most troubling news as of late has come from the North Koreans — not the Mayans. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**




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Pitfalls of self-publishing

Going it alone. Here are five tips to help you get in on the ebook explosion in 2013

In 2012, Douglas & McIntyre filed for bankruptcy protection, Random House of Canada became the sole owner of McClelland & Stewart, and Penguin and Random House planned to merge.

It's perhaps no surprise that year also saw an explosion in online self-publishing, with a wealth of platforms — including Kobo Writing Life, Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing and iBooks Author — offering authors an alternate avenue.

"We're actually hearing from a lot of different types of authors, some brand new and some successful ... that have had traditional contracts that are just using self-publishing to experiment with new stuff or put books out that they wanted to do on a different cycle than their traditional publishers were," says Libby Johnson McKee, director of Kindle Direct Publishing.

If you have dreams of being a self-publishing sensation in 2013, here are tips on how to stand out:



From left, a Kobo eReader Touch, an Amazon Kindle, an Aluratek Libre Air and a Barnes & Noble Nook are displayed. Platforms that offer authors an alternate way to get published — including Kobo Writing Life, Amazon Kindle Direct Publishing and iBooks Author — have led to a boom in self-publishing. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

1 The moment you start writing the book, begin building your marketing platform.

"The hardest thing about self-publishing is marketing, not writing, and people find this out too late," says author Guy Kawasaki, who has self-published two books and explains how to do so in the newly released APE: Author, Publisher, Entrepreneur — How to Publish Your Book.

He recommends spending two to three hours a day on writing, and one hour a day building a marketing platform on social media sites such as Google Plus, Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

2 It sounds simple but — write a great book (and know your audience).

"Bad books just don't sell," says Johnson McKee. "And if you write a great book and really work hard on getting your message right, the craft of writing is still the thing that wins the day."

Browse blogs of authors in the same genre and understand what fans like to read.

3 Once the book is written, start crowdsourcing. Get fans, friends, colleagues and others to copy edit and/or review the book. "Do this immediately before it goes on sale, so that

as soon as it goes on sale you have a bunch of great reviews for the book," says Kawasaki (he sent APE in full format to about 1,000 people before he self-published it, and just three days after it went on sale it had about 135 online reviews).

4 Lure in readers by putting your work on various sites and devices. And create catchy metadata, which includes the cover, title, description, biography, and price.

"People judge a book by its cover, they do, so I would strongly recommend that authors consider using a professional cover designer and investing the time and effort in that," says Mark Lefebvre, director of self-publishing and author relations at Kobo. As with an ebook's text, the cover can also be changed once it's out in digital format.

5 Write another great book as soon as possible. Lefebvre notes that passionate and dedicated readers will whip through a book and immediately check to see if authors have written anything else.

This rule is particularly important for genre writers, adds Johnson McKee. "Those types of readers are voracious," she says. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Protesting the privatization of health care

A man holds a dummy depicting a health worker on Sunday during a demonstration in Madrid against cuts to public health care and the privatization of medical centres and hospitals. In Madrid, doctors have already staged 16 days of strikes and health workers' unions are calling for a third 48-hour strike on Dec. 19 and 20. Around 4,000 operations have been suspended in the city since the medical strikes started. PABLO BLAZQUEZ DOMINGUEZ/GETTY IMAGES

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They are the ice makers.

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The other uses reverse osmosis to clean water so thoroughly that it makes some of the fastest ice in the world.

In Calgary, ice is our nemesis when it's on roads or sidewalks. But, oh, the joy of outdoor skating.

After Friday's horror in Connecticut, we hold our kids and their special places more tightly. As city council battles over mega things like Crowchild Trail today, a little program called Adopt-a-Rink has no budget line of its own, apparently. It runs under environmental education, and supplies hoses, shovels and advice to volunteers at 38 community rinks.

"It's the purest form of entertainment," says Yves Cho-

iniere. He's a dad who steps up every year to maintain a nearby rink. Why? When he gave up hockey as a kid, he still played on outdoor rinks. Now, he wants his own two boys to get outdoors. The Adopt-a-Rink Program doesn't allow hockey but other communities like Triwood, St. Andrew's, Edgemont do have hockey rinks with boards.

This year, the city added Brentwood, Panomora and Huntington Hills to the Adopt-a-Rink program. Alas, there's no more to be had because installing a winter-water service is expensive. (In Panorama, the developer provided it.)

The best temperature for a rink is between -7 and -15 C, says the city's Erin Brown, who advises communities to flood at night and spray slowly and evenly. Expect 200 volunteer hours per rink, she notes.

At the Olympic Oval, Mark Messer says he purifies the water to remove chemicals then applies it with a large Zamboni. Air and ice temperature is carefully monitored. Any dust or dirt that falls on the oval ice is cleared off. The facility has 50 per cent of the world's speed-skating records.

But Messer knows the challenge of outdoor ice. The former heavy-duty mechanic once made an outdoor oval in Halifax that a windy rainstorm blew away. He started again.

For those in the communities, he recommends ensuring a light-coloured base to reflect sun. Either put down white plastic or stomp the snow for a good ice pack before flooding.

Here's to all the volunteers out spraying daily.

And for city councillors to strap on skates at least once with the kids this winter.

Feline find

Fossils unearthed believed to be from saber-toothed cat

Researchers say a pair of fossils unearthed in the hills north of Las Vegas belonged to a saber-toothed cat.

The Las Vegas Review-Journal reports that a team from California's San Bernardino County Museum identified the fossils dug up in June as being front leg bones from the extinct predator.

Kathleen Springer, the museum's senior curator,

says the saber-tooth fossils are thought to be approximately 15,590 years old.

The discovery marks the first of its kind in the fossil-rich Upper Las Vegas Wash. Springer heads a team that's been studying the wash for a decade and has been collecting fossils there under a contract with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management since 2008.

She says the bones of Las Vegas' only known saber-toothed cat are still being studied. There are no immediate plans to display them, but Springer expects that to happen eventually.

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How much is the doggie made of chains?



NIRIT LEVAV PACKER/REX FEATURES

Recycled animal art

Bicycle chains get upcycled into art

An artist has created a series of incredibly detailed life-size dog sculptures made entirely from bicycle parts.

Israeli-born Nirit Levav Packer's collection includes a full-size greyhound, cocker spaniels and other mutts constructed from recycled bike chains, gears, pedals and even bike seats.

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Element of surprise

Metal mutts are not as tough as they look

At the beginning, Packer was pleasantly surprised that her creations weren't as fierce and hard as the chains of metal imply.

"The first dog I made was a Rottweiler, thinking that the rough edges of the broken metal pieces would loan to the dog's tough persona," she said. "But instead I was surprised to have created a sculpture that was more friendly and cute than intimidating." METRO

Emotional representation

Innermost thoughts shown through dog

In describing her artwork, Packer defines it as, "excitement, curiosity and fun."

"For me, this art is a reflection of my own emotions," Packer said.

"It's a representation of my thoughts from inside out. I love to weld metal, and these chains are not heavy; (they're) surprisingly soft and flexible. Out of all the materials I use — keys, nails, watches — metal is my favourite." METRO

Artist's viewpoint



"The biggest challenge for me in this art is to capture the expressions that a real dog would typically make. Thankfully, this type of metal is very flexible."

Nirit Levav Packer, 49, of Tel Aviv



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Leslie Mann stars in *This is 40*, a movie directed by her husband, Judd Apatow. HANDOUT

Keeping it all in the family

This is 40. Leslie Mann talks about working with her children on movies directed by her husband and what middle age is like

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Leslie Mann has made quite the career in husband Judd Apatow's movies, playing characters not too different from herself in *Knocked Up*, *Funny People* and now *This is 40*. In fact, much of the squabbling between Mann's Debbie and Paul Rudd's Pete in *This is 40* was cultivated at home, making the film a kind of marriage counselling for the parents of two.

"It's like what I would fantasize about saying to Judd," Mann explains. "Like Debbie can say these things to Pete, but Leslie can't really say these things to Judd. It's fun to have this character to live through."

The film also gives Mann another chance to act alongside daughters Maude and Iris. (Like in *Knocked Up*, Mann and Apatow's real-life daughters co-star as Mann's character's kids.) But there can be trouble when her older daughter tries to take her work home with her, Mann admits.

"It's fun for Maude because we don't allow her to curse at home. I know she does at school," she says. "So it was fun for her to be able to do that at work, which I didn't think was a great idea, but Judd thinks is funny. So

that's fun for her. But then she gets home from work and she tries to say the F-word or whatever and we have to shut her down."

Even with Apatow's brand of bold, uncomfortable comedy, Mann says she's game for anything. Of course, she had to draw the line somewhere, but that point has nothing to do with humorous or embarrassing situations.

"The only thing that made me feel uncomfortable in this movie is a scene with Iris when I'm laying in bed with her because it felt a little invasive," Mann admits. "I don't know why, because I can do anything else, but that for some reason felt a little like it was crossing some boundary. Just because everyone was sitting there watching me with my little girl doing what I do with my little girl, and I

didn't like that."

As for life after 40, the actress — who hit the milestone herself last March — has found it to be a mixed bag.

"I think every day is different. Some days I feel fine and other days I feel like crying all day," she says. "I have lunches with my girlfriends who just turned 40, and some of those lunches we're crying and screaming about our husbands and saying we want to leave them and run away, and then other lunches we're fine and love our husbands and are happy with our lives."

One thing is for sure, though: A sequel about turning 50 would likely be darker.

"I keep asking women who are a little bit older when is this going to pass, and they're like, 'It doesn't pass. It just gets worse,'" Mann says.

A little on Brooks

Albert Brooks on being a parent in Hollywood

- Dad. Albert Brooks, who plays Paul Rudd's leech of a dad in *This is 40*, knows that it can be uniquely difficult to be a parent in Hollywood — especially around awards season. "I've got kids who are 14 and 12, and you try to keep them from going to the actual movies when they go to the movie theatre, but then you let them watch screeners. So we all gathered around and watched *Flight*, and it prompted a discussion of cocaine that I never wanted to have."

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Crowe denies reports and vows to 'bring family back together'

Russell Crowe is taking Page Six to task over reports that he's dating Katie Lee, ex-wife of Billy Joel, while he's separated from his own wife, Danielle Spencer. "These latest reports are false and cruel," Crowe —

who is currently filming *A Winter's Tale* in NYC and promoting *Les Misérables* — posted to Twitter.

"As soon as I finish this job and can get home, my priority is to try to bring my family back together."



Hugh Grant

Jon Stewart dubs Grant worst Daily Show guest, and actor accepts it

Jon Stewart recently revealed that Hugh Grant was the worst guest he'd ever had on *The Daily Show* and he would "never" be invited back, saying at the Montclair Film Festival last week that Grant was "giving

everyone s— the whole time. He's a big pain in the ass." Well, Grant got the message, posting to Twitter, "Turns out my inner crab got the better of me with TV producer in '09. Unforgivable. J. Stewart correct to give me kicking."

Twitter



@timberlake

Seriously.... The whole Lower East Side of NY looks like *Invasion Of The Drunken Santas*! I'm not missing out on this next year...



@ElizabethHurley

Hate untangling Xmas lights ...



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I'M ENGAGED!!!!!! I wanted y'all to know!! Happiest night of my life last night! I am so lucky and am with the greatest man ever :)



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Just home from work. Cold pepperoni pizza. Had to go for the red wine-cold rainy night of filming. 5am is like 5pm, right?

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word



L.A. Reid will not be back for X Factor's third season



THE WORD

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Considering Demi Lovato and Simon Cowell's contentious behaviour and crazy-side-eyes on this season of *The X Factor*, it comes as some surprise that it's L.A. Reid who is the first casualty on the judge's panel. The stylishly-dressed music executive will not be coming back next season for the reality TV show.

"I have the utmost re-

spect for Simon Cowell," Reid said Thursday in a statement. Reid claims he is going back to his job of running the Epic music label. "He is the very best, and I have had the opportunity to learn so much from him. Working with him on *X Factor* has been a once-in-a-lifetime experience. I'm honoured to have sat on the panel with such incredible talent. Of course, I will miss the show," Reid added. "In my opinion, Simon attracts the best talent, but I'm looking forward to getting back to my core business and the responsibility of running Epic Records."

Season 3 already has the go-ahead by Fox, but there's still no word on if Cowell's co-judges — Demi Lovato and Britney Spears — will be back.

Family

We all have baggage



IT'S ALL RELATIVE
Kathy Buckworth,
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As more airlines impose fees for checked bags, travellers are looking for ways to stuff their carry-on bags full and into overflowing overhead

bins. But are you really getting something for free?

The disadvantages to checking a bag is (sometimes) the financial cost, wait times at the baggage carousel or having the bag delayed or lost.

But with a carry-on, downsides include jumping up to wait in line and get on the plane early to secure a bin, (within at least a few rows of your seat) and then hefting a huge bag over your (and others') heads or having to ask



for help to do so.

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Of wish lists, undesirable gifts and handling high expectations

Holiday demands.

Christmas is a time of year when it's important to manage your kids' high hopes

MARY SHELL

Metro World News in New York

Your children may have wish lists a mile long, but Denise Schipani, author of *Mean Moms Rule: Why Doing the Hard Stuff Now Creates Good Kids Later*, says that when it comes to gifts, more stuff under the Christmas tree isn't necessarily more satisfying.

"The holidays can be sensory overload for adults. It can be that way for your child, too," she says.

Feeling overwhelmed at your children's overwhelming holiday demands? It's up to you to manage their expectations. They can't temper themselves in the throes of the holidays.

"My kids still believe in Santa Claus, and they make their lists," she says. But Schipani makes sure her kids

understand these are wish lists and not just a rundown of what they'll get. Choosing one thing from the list allows you to surprise your child, she says. "There's a way for them to feel excited about getting stuff without getting greedy about it."

You won't be a Grinch if your child doesn't get everything they desire — not everybody gets everything they want.

"And when your kids ask for something that's too extravagant, Schipani points to a chapter in her book titled: Say 'No.' Smile. Don't Apologize. Repeat as Necessary.

"It's not damaging to say, 'No,'" she reminds.

On the big day, tune in to your kid's experience and how he or she is reacting to unwrapping the gifts. If there's a tantrum or you see your child's eyes glaze over, take note.

"The reason they're doing that might well be that you've overwhelmed them," she says.

And it's equally important to notice when you see your child stop and really engage with a toy. It means you've

Your relatives

When you can't control the grandparents...

- **Meaningful gifts.** "There are relatives that are not going to listen, no matter what," Schipani says. But try having a conversation with family members before the holidays. Tell them to consider whether gifts are age-appropriate or whether a combination of quality time and a meaningful gift might be better for your child than an iPod or Xbox."

given your child something he or she really enjoys — a gift that's probably sufficient on its own.

Finally, remember to set a good example for your kids and take opportunities throughout the year to remind them of the great things they already have.

Avoid cultivating a "more is better" attitude, she notes. "Model the behaviour that you want to see."



Pay attention to your kids' reactions as they open gifts. ISTOCK

Unconventional families of the silver screen



Any Day Now star Alan Cumming picks five films featuring unconventional families. GETTY IMAGES

Any Day Now follows the struggle of a gay couple in late-1970s Los Angeles to adopt an abandoned teenage boy with down syndrome.

It's not exactly your traditional, old-fashioned family unit. So who better than the film's star, Alan Cumming, to ponder memorably unusual families in film history?

The Scottish actor plays a flamboyant female impersonator who falls in love with a closeted prosecutor (Garret Dillahunt) and tries to build a stable home for the boy, played by Isaac Leyva. It's clearly a story — and a genre — he feels passionately about. Here's

Cumming discussing his five favourite films about unconventional families:

Flirting With Disaster (1996)

This is a hilarious sort of weird family road trip with Ben Stiller going on a journey to find his birth parents and meeting a lot of insane people along the way. It's one of David O Russell's early films and I love it. There is a dinner scene that must be one of the most awkward meals ever on film!

Auntie Mame (1958)

Rosalind Russell is brilliant as a wealthy bohemian New York maven who suddenly has to

parent her nephew. I always thought I would like to meet an Auntie Mame, because she is so whimsical and tells great stories and has adventures, but now I think I am becoming her. I find myself telling my friends' kids all sorts of weird lies and my niece once told me that what she wanted for Christmas was for me to be less crazy.

The Royal Tenenbaums (2001)

Wes Anderson directs an all-star cast about a dysfunctional family who wrote the book about dysfunctional families. It is absolutely hilarious and really scary at the same time. Again, this film stars Ben Stiller,

who I think does the achingly funny/searingly awkward and painful combo better than any film actor today.

The Kids Are All Right (2010)

Julianne Moore and Annette Bening are a lesbian couple whose adopted kids seek out their birth father with very explosive consequences. It's a beautiful film, again funny and tender in equal measures.

Coneheads (1993)

They're a family with cone-shaped craniums who come to Earth. It doesn't get much more unconventional than this! **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Meatballs and Cranberry Marinara get the party started

1. Heat the oven to 425 F. Coat a rimmed baking sheet with cooking spray.

2. In a large bowl, combine the eggs, cilantro, jalapenos, garlic, fennel, oregano, onion powder, red pepper flakes, 2 teaspoons of salt and 1/2 teaspoon of pepper. Whisk until well combined. Add the ground beef, then mix gently

Ingredients

- 3 eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup finely chopped cilantro
- 1 tbsp finely chopped jalapeno slices
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tsp fennel seeds
- 2 tsp dried oregano
- 1 tsp onion powder
- 1/2 tsp red pepper flakes
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 3 lbs ground beef (93 per cent lean)
- 14-oz can whole berry cranberry sauce
- 15-oz can diced tomatoes
- Splash of hot sauce



This recipe makes 50 meatballs. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

until completely blended. Divide the mixture into 50 balls, using about 2 tablespoons of the mixture per ball. Arrange the meatballs on the prepared baking sheet.

3. Place the baking sheet in the oven and bake the meat-

balls for 20 minutes. Increase heat to broil and cook for another 1 to 2 minutes, or until lightly browned.

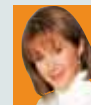
4. Meanwhile, in a medium saucepan over medium heat, combine the cranberry sauce and diced tomatoes. Bring to

a simmer. Season with salt and pepper, and a splash of hot sauce.

5. When meatballs are done, arrange on a platter, then spoon the cranberry mixture over them. Serve with toothpicks. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sarah Prevette has been hailed as one of the top entrepreneurs in North America. With her work profiled in the Wall Street Journal and Forbes magazine, Prevette is credited with assisting more than 100,000 start-ups around the world through her online company. Sprouter was acquired by the Post Media Network in 2011, but she still runs the company and has started a new venture called BetaKit that is focused on identifying emerging technology trends for Fortune 500 companies.

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Leaving a legacy

"I hope I can look back one day and say I acted on my ambitions and that I left the world a better place."

Sarah Prevette
Founder and CEO of Sprouter

back from the community continues to be a motivating factor for all of us. I hope I can look back one day and say I acted on my ambitions and that I left the world a better place.

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NFL. Packers lock up NFC North with win over Bears

The Green Bay Packers clinched their second straight NFC North title with a 21-13 victory over the archrival Chicago Bears on Sunday.

James Jones caught all three touchdowns passes thrown by the Packers' Aaron Rodgers. Green Bay has now won six straight in the NFL's oldest — and fiercest — rivalry.

The Packers (10-4) have won 12 straight against NFC North opponents, the longest streak in the NFL.

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Packers receiver James Jones celebrates one of his three touchdown catches on Sunday in Chicago. GETTY IMAGES

Toronto. Bills' game goes south as NFL heads north

Rookie Russell Wilson rushed for three TDs and threw for another while Earl Thomas returned an interception 57 yards for a touchdown as the Seattle Seahawks steamrolled past the Buffalo Bills 50-17 on Sunday in Toronto.

Seattle (9-5) earned its fifth win in six games and cemented its first winning season since going 10-6 in 2007. It also marked the second straight lopsided win for the Seahawks, who downed Arizona 58-0 last week. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson runs into the end zone on Sunday. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Sandy Hook tragedy

NFL pays tribute to shooting victims

The New England Patriots silenced their "End Zone Militia" on Sunday night, paying tribute to the victims of the Connecticut school shooting by cancelling the traditional scoring celebration in which men dressed as Revolutionary War soldiers fire muskets into the air.

Two days after 20 children and six adults were shot to death at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., the Patriots joined teams across the NFL that honoured the victims' memory by asking for a moment of silence.

New York Giants receiver Victor Cruz, after learning that he was the favourite player of one six-year-old victim, wrote "R.I.P. Jack Pinto," "Jack Pinto, my hero" and "This one is for you" on his shoes for the Giants game against the Falcons. Cruz said he called the boy's family after hearing he was a Giants fan and was told they planned to bury him in one of Cruz's No. 80 jerseys.

"I don't even know how to put it into words," Cruz said. "There are no words that can describe the type of feeling that you get when a kid idolizes you so much that unfortunately they want to put him in the casket with your jersey on. I can't even explain it."

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Colts guard Mike McGlynn bows his head during a moment of silence for the victims of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Broncos rumble to 9th straight win vs. Ravens

NFL. Denver gets win in Baltimore despite off game from QB Manning

By the numbers

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For three weeks, Baltimore has needed one win to clinch a fifth straight trip to the playoffs. The Ravens still lead the AFC North, but their lead over the Cincinnati Bengals has shrunk to one game with two to play.

consecutive win against Baltimore, the first with the Broncos (11-3).

But he was merely a role player in this one, because Denver's defence dominated the Ravens, who sputtered in their first game with Jim Caldwell as offensive co-ordinator.

This was supposed to be a test for Denver, which was eager to face a quality opponent on the road.

"Pat Bowlen has owned the team for 29 years and has averaged 10 wins a season, but it's the first time he's won in this building," Broncos coach John Fox said. "I was proud to see that for him."

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Broncos defensive end Derek Wolfe tackles Ravens quarterback Joe Flacco on Sunday in Baltimore. GAIL BURTON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cys matter: Jays working on trade for Dickey



According to reports, the Blue Jays have a deal in place to acquire National League Cy Young winner R.A. Dickey from the Mets. Dickey went 20-6 in 2012 with a 2.73 ERA. ALEX TRAUTWIG/GETTY IMAGES FILE

The Blue Jays' rumoured blockbuster acquisition of NL Cy Young Award winner R.A. Dickey seems to have come down to 72 hours of direct negotiation with the player.

After two days of intense talks, the Jays and Mets, according to a Fox Sports report, have an agreement in principle including seven players. The Mets have given Jays general manager Alex Anthopoulos until Tuesday to talk to the 38-year-old Dickey, who has one year left on his contract, and work out a two-year extension through 2015.

The knuckleballer is rumoured to be going to the Jays along with his personal

catcher, Josh Thole, and an unnamed prospect for catchers Travis d'Arnaud and John Buck, pitcher Noah Syndergaard and another prospect.

D'Arnaud and Syndergaard are the No. 1 and No. 3 prospects in the Jays organization, according to MLB.com.

The Jays would likely pull out of any proposed deal if they could not work out the extension with Dickey. At the end of the season, the Mets picked up a club option on the knuckleballer for a very reasonable \$5 million US, but were looking to lock up the Nashville native for another two seasons. Foiled, they decided to explore a trade.

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Upside out the door?

The 23-year-old d'Arnaud was due to arrive in the majors in 2013. He was the 2011 Double-A Eastern League MVP, and was off to a terrific start in Triple-A this year before suffering a torn left knee ligament in June.

- Noah Syndergaard, 20, was one of the Jays' big three pitching prospects at Lansing in the Class-A Midwest League, posting a 2.60 ERA in 103 2/3 innings with 31 walks and 103 strikeouts.

Courting disaster? NHLPA to vote on dissolving union

NHL. Lockout talks may shift from boardroom to courtroom with no end in sight

A critical vote was set to begin Sunday that will determine if the NHL labour battle moves from the negotiating table to the courtroom.

The players are casting their ballots on whether to give their executive board the authority to dissolve the NHL Players' Association.

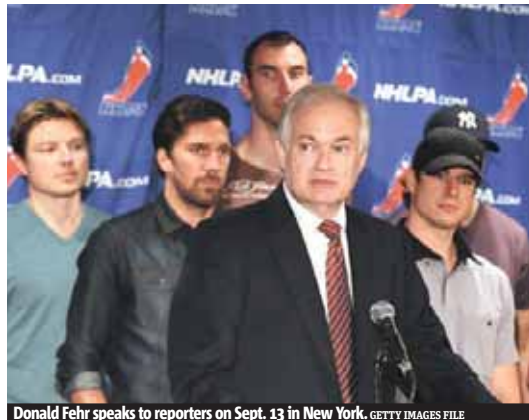
Doing so would allow the board to file a disclaimer of interest, which is a step toward disbanding the union and giving the players the chance to file anti-trust lawsuits against the league.

Two-thirds of the union's membership must vote in favour of the move over a five-day period that ends Thursday, then the union executive board must respond.

The league has already taken some pre-emptive action after it filed a class-action complaint on Friday that asked a federal court in New York to make a declaration on the legality of the lockout.

The NHL also filed an unfair labour practice charge with the U.S. National Labor Relations Board.

The union was quick to respond with a statement on Friday night that suggested



Donald Fehr speaks to reporters on Sept. 13 in New York. GETTY IMAGES FILE

High stakes

By filing the class-action complaint in New York, the NHL guaranteed that the legality of the lockout would be decided in a court known to be sympathetic towards management.

- If the NHLPA files for a "disclaimer of interest" it will seek to have the work stoppage deemed illegal — something that could see players paid triple their lost salary in damages if successful.

had yet to even be served with the lawsuit.

"The NHL appears to be arguing that players should be stopped from even considering their right to decide whether or not to be represented by a union," it read. "We believe that their position is completely without merit."

Despite the focus of the lockout shifting from the board room to the courtroom, there is nothing preventing the sides from continuing to try to negotiate with one another. They met separately over two days with a U.S. federal mediator last week in New Jersey but failed to make any progress.

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the league was overstepping its bounds. At that point, it

NBA

Lakers look alive in Philadelphia

Kobe Bryant and the Los Angeles Lakers are winning again. It's just a two-game streak, but it's still a turnaround from their abysmal play of late.

Bryant scored 34 points, Metta World Peace added 19 points and a career-high 16 rebounds and the Lakers won consecutive games for the first time in nearly a month with a 111-98 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers on Sunday.

Dwight Howard had 17 points and 11 rebounds for the Lakers, who led 60-50 at halftime. Darius Morris had a career-high 15 points, all in the first half, and Chris Duhon scored 14. It was World Peace's first double-double since Jan. 13, 2010, at Dallas.

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Another win for the Raptors

Houston Rockets guard James Harden drives to the basket against the Raptors' Amir Johnson on Sunday in Toronto. The winning continued for the Raptors — for one game at least. Jose Calderon had 18 points, 10 rebounds and 14 assists to lead the short-handed Raptors to a 103-96 win over the Rockets, marking the first time Toronto has won consecutive games in eight long months. AARON VINCENT/ELKAIM/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	18	5	.783	—
Miami	15	6	.714	2
Atlanta	14	7	.667	3
Chicago	13	9	.591	4½
Brooklyn	13	10	.565	5
Milwaukee	12	10	.545	5½
Indiana	13	11	.542	5½
Boston	12	11	.522	6
Philadelphia	12	12	.500	6½
Orlando	10	13	.435	8
Charlotte	7	16	.304	11
Detroit	7	19	.269	12½
Toronto	6	19	.240	13
Cleveland	5	20	.200	14
Washington	3	18	.143	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	19	4	.826	—
San Antonio	19	6	.760	1
L.A. Clippers	17	6	.739	2
Memphis	15	6	.714	3
Golden State	16	8	.667	3½
Minnesota	12	9	.571	6
Utah	13	12	.520	7
Denver	13	12	.520	7
Portland	11	12	.478	8
Houston	11	12	.478	8
Dallas	11	13	.458	8½
L.A. Lakers	11	14	.440	9
Phoenix	9	15	.375	10½
Sacramento	7	16	.304	12
New Orleans	5	18	.217	14

Division leaders ranked in top three positions and best eight teams qualify for playoffs

Sunday's results

Toronto 103 Houston 96
L.A. Lakers 111 Philadelphia 98
Denver 122 Sacramento 97
Portland 95 New Orleans 94
Saturday's results
Golden State 115 Atlanta 93
New York 103 Cleveland 102
Indiana 88 Detroit 77
Miami 102 Washington 72
Orlando 107 Charlotte 98
Chicago 83 Brooklyn 82
Minnesota 114 Dallas 106 OT
L.A. Clippers 111 Milwaukee 85
San Antonio 103 Boston 88
Memphis 99 Utah 86

Monday's games — All Times Eastern

Houston at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Houston at New York, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Memphis, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Tuesday's games

Toronto at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Washington, 7 p.m.
Utah at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Denver, 9 p.m.
Charlotte at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 19
Utah at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Brooklyn at New York, 7 p.m.
Washington at Orlando, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Houston, 8 p.m.
Charlotte at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Milwaukee at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.
Golden State at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
New Orleans at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

RAPTORS 103, ROCKETS 96

HOUSTON (96)

Harden 7-18 14-15 28, Morris 6-11 5-6 19, Parsons 4-11 3-5 12, Delfino 4-11 0-0 10, Smith 4-7 0-0 8, Asik 3-7 1-4 7, Lin 3-9 0-0 7, Douglas 1-3 2-2 5, Jones 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-78 25-32 96.

TORONTO (103)

Anderson 6-12 9-9 24, DeRozan 8-19 2-2 19, Calderon 6-12 5-6 18, Davis 6-9 1-1 13, Ross 4-10 0-2 9, Johnson 4-6 0-0 8, Lucas 2-6 0-0 6, Kleiza 1-6 0-0 2, Pietrus 1-3 0-0 2, Valanciunas 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 39-85 17-20 103.

HOUSTON 28 21 22 25 — 96

TORONTO 26 23 28 26 — 103

3-Point Goals—Houston 7-23 (Delfino 2-7, Morris 2-4, Parsons 1-4, Harden 0-3, Douglas 1-2, Lin 1-2, Jones 0-1). Toronto 8-30 (Anderson 3-7, Calderon 1-5, Ross 1-5, Lucas 2-4, Kleiza 0-4, DeRozan 1-3, Pietrus 0-2). **Rebounds**—Houston 44 (Asik 13, Smith 7, Parsons 6, Morris 6, Delfino 4, Harden 4, Douglas 2, Lin 1, Jones 1). Toronto 43 (Calderon 10, Johnson 8, DeRozan 7, Davis 6, Kleiza 3, Pietrus 3, Valanciunas 2, Anderson 2, Ross 2, Lucas 1).

Assists—Houston 14 (Harden 4). Toronto 29 (Calderon 14). **Total Fouls**—Houston 19, Toronto 24.

Attendance—17,863 at Toronto. T—2:27

NBA LEADERS

SCORING AVERAGE

	G	FG	FT	PTS	AVG
Bryant, LAL	24	234	184	704	29.3
Anthony, NYK	20	190	126	557	27.9
Durant, OKL	23	202	192	632	27.5
James, MIA	21	210	85	533	25.4
Harden, HOU	21	156	167	521	24.8
Aldridge, POR	21	176	89	441	21.0
Westbrook, OKL	23	170	103	478	20.8
Mayo, DAL	24	172	80	490	20.4
Curry, GOS	24	162	85	473	19.7
Pierce, BOS	23	145	125	454	19.7
Wade, MIA	18	134	78	350	19.4
Lee, GOS	24	192	77	461	19.2
Parker, SA	23	176	81	442	19.2
Gay, MEM	21	152	70	398	19.0
Ellis, MIL	22	153	97	419	19.0
Lillard, POR	22	144	79	416	18.9
Holiday, PHI	22	162	58	404	18.4
Griffin, LAC	23	173	71	418	18.2
Howard, LAL	24	155	126	437	18.2
Anderson, NO	22	153	22	401	18.2
Walker, CHA	23	151	90	416	18.1
Bosh, MIA	21	139	99	381	18.1
DeRozan, Tor	24	164	91	431	18.0
Deng, CH	22	149	75	392	17.8
Randolph, MEM	21	149	71	369	17.6
West, IND	24	175	72	422	17.6
Jefferson, UTA	24	179	58	418	17.4
Duncan, SA	24	164	85	415	17.3
Williams, BRO	23	130	91	391	17.0
Jennings, MIL	22	139	52	371	16.9
Johnson, BRO	23	149	46	387	16.8
Cousins, SAC	19	125	69	320	16.8
Crawford, LAC	23	125	89	382	16.6
Smith, ATL	20	138	42	331	16.6
George, IND	24	145	50	394	16.4
Horford, ATL	20	145	36	326	16.3
Felton, NYK	23	150	34	375	16.3
Afflalo, ORL	23	143	56	372	16.2
Matthews, POR	20	111	56	322	16.1
Batum, POR	21	113	60	336	16.0
Bargnani, Tor	21	127	53	337	16.0
Paul, LAC	23	127	92	369	16.0
Martin, OKL	23	109	98	367	16.0
Davis, ORL	23	147	66	360	15.7
Garnett, BOS	23	149	64	362	15.7
Parsons, HOU	21	121	42	330	15.7
Thompson, GOS	24	141	34	377	15.7

Not including last night's games

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Portland	27	15	10	1	1	82	83	32
Providence	25	14	9	0	2	61	69	30
Worcester	26	13	10	1	2	72	78	29
Manchester	27	12	11	2	2	75	70	28
St. John's	28	13	14	0	1	66	77	27

NORTHEAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Springfield	25	15	5	2	3	87	58	35
Bridgeport	26	12	11	1	2	79	87	27
Albany	23	9	8	0	6	55	61	24
Connecticut	26	11	13	2	0	74	88	24
Adirondack	25	10	14	1	0	61	75	21

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Syracuse	26	17	6	1	2	95	70	37
Binghamton	22	14	6	1	1	70	53	30
W-B/Scranton	25	13	10	1	1	69	68	28
Hershey	27	13	12	1	1	73	75	28
Norfolk	24	11	12	1	0	69	74	23

WESTERN CONFERENCE

NORTH DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Abbotsford	26	15	5	3	3	66	52	36
Toronto	25	15	9	0	1	85	68	31
Rochester	24	12	9	2	1	82	76	27
Lake Erie	27	12	13	1	1	85	88	26
Hamilton	20	10	12	1	1	52	76	22

MIDWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Grand Rapids	24	13	9	1	1	74	70	28
Rochford	27	13	12	1	1	88	86	28
Chicago	24	12	9	2	1	65	71	27
Milwaukee	26	12	11	2	1	73	79	27
Peoria	26	11	11	2	2	63	83	26

SOUTH

	GP	W	L	OTL	SOL	GF	GA	Pt
Charlotte	28	17	9	0	2	90	74	36
Houston	26	14	8	1	3	82	73	32
Texas	25	13	8	2	2	62	65	30
Oklahoma City	26	13	9	1	3	86	78	30
San Antonio	28	10	15	0	3	71	87	23

Note: Two points awarded for a win, one for an overtime or shootout loss.

Sunday's results

Springfield 3 Manchester 2 (SO)
Portland 3 Worcester 2
Toronto 5 Grand Rapids 0
St. John's 4 Providence 0
Charlotte 2 San Antonio 1
Milwaukee 4 Hamilton 3
Houston 4 Oklahoma City 3 (SO)
Saturday's results
Charlotte 3 Houston 0
Manchester 3 Adirondack 2
Providence 2 Albany 1 (SO)
Portland 1 Connecticut 0
Worcester 4 Hershey 3 (SO)
Toronto 4 Rochester 3 (SO)
Norfolk 3 Bridgeport 2 (SO)
St. John's 3 Springfield 2 (OT)
Chicago 3 Lake Erie 2
Syracuse 4 W-B/Scranton 0
Oklahoma City 5 San Antonio 3
Hamilton 6 Rockford 4
Peoria 3 Milwaukee 1
Abbotsford 2 Texas 1 (SO)
Tuesday's game — All Times Eastern
Hamilton at Peoria, 8:05 p.m.
Wednesday's games
Abbotsford at Chicago, 12 p.m.
St. John's at Adirondack, 7 p.m.
Springfield at Portland, 7 p.m.
Norfolk at Hershey, 7 p.m.
Albany at Bridgeport, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Lake Erie, 7 p.m.
Rochester at Grand Rapids, 7 p.m.
W-B/Scranton at Binghamton, 7:05 p.m.
Rockford at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Texas, 8:30 p.m.

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Final Round

Charl Schwartzel, South Africa	67-64-64-70—265
Gregory Bourdy, France	66-65-74-70—275
Kristoffer Broberg, Sweden	70-69-67-70—276
Scott Jamieson, Scotland	70-68-71-68—277
Garth Mulroy, South Africa	71-68-70-68—277
Andy Sullivan, England	73-71-64-69—277
Richard Sterne, South Africa	70-68-70-70—278
Keith Horne, South Africa	70-69-68-71—278
Steve Webster, England	67-69-70-72—278
George Coetzee, South Africa	71-70-73-65—279
Richard Bland, England	67-73-71-68—279
David Howell, England	70-73-70-67—280
T. van Aswegen, South Africa	68-68-71-71—280
Branden Grace, South Africa	68-71-67-74—280
Richard McEvoy, England	69-70-74-68—281

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Par 72

Final Round

Davis Love III/Dru Love, \$200,000	60-61-121
Larry/Josh Nelson, \$80,000	62-60-122
Vijay/Qass Singh, \$57,000	62-61-123
David Duval/Nick Karavites, \$49,500	63-61-124
Mark/Shawn O'Meara, \$49,500	61-63-124
Fuzzy/Gretchen Zoeller, \$47,000	65-60-125
Jack/Gary Nicklaus, \$47,000	62-63-125
Fred/Taylor Funk, \$47,000	61-64-125
Hale/Steve Irwin, \$45,000	62-64-126
Bernhard/Christina Langer, \$44,000	62-65-127
Lee/Connor Janzen, \$43,500	64-65-128
Steve/Sam Elkington, \$42,750	66-63-129
Raymond/Robert Floyd, \$42,750	64-65-129
Lanny/Tucker Wadkins, \$41,750	66-65-131
Sandy/James Lyle, \$41,750	66-65-131
Nick/Matthew Faldo, \$41,000	63-69-132
Lee/Daniel Trevino, \$40,500	69-65-134
Arnold Palmer/Will Wears, \$40,000	80-76-156

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

At Coolool, Australia

Par 72

Final Round

Daniel Popovic, Australia	64-70-69-69—272
Rod Pampling, Australia	71-67-69-69—276
Anthony Brown, Australia	73-68-64-71—276
Geoff Ogilvy, Australia	67-69-72-69—277
Brad Kennedy, Australia	69-68-70-70—277
Richard Green, Australia	71-68-70-69—278
Nathan Green, Australia	72-71-66-69—278
Marc Leishman, Australia	69-70-73-67—279
Steven Bowditch, Australia	70-67-74-68—279
Darren Clarke, Northern Ireland	70-69-72-68—279
John Senden, Australia	73-69-69-68—279
James Nitties, Australia	70-72-68-69—279
Michael Wright, Australia	70-73-66-70—279
Stephen Dartnall, Australia	68-72-68-71—279
Mathew Goggins, Australia	71-66-70-72—279
Matthew Griffin, Australia	69-67-70-73—279
Adam Crawford, Australia	70-71-70-69—280
Jason Kang, United States	70-69-71-70—280
Matthew Millar, Australia	73-66-70-71—280
Brendan Jones, Australia	73-67-67-73—280
Peter O'Malley, Australia	73-68-71-69—281
Greg Chalmers, Australia	72-69-68-72—281
Kim Do-hoon, South Korea	73-71-68-70—282
Terry Pilakdaris, Australia	70-74-69-69—282
Jason Sprivener, Australia	68-75-69-70—282
Kurt Barnes, Australia	74-65-71-72—282
Leigh McKechnie, Australia	70-69-72-72—283
Zhang Xinjun, China	67-67-74-75—283
Peter Senior, Australia	68-70-71-74—283
Stephen Leaney, Australia	69-70-71-74—284
Robert Allenby, Australia	73-67-68-76—284
Aaron Townsend, Australia	69-74-72-70—285

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EAST

EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New England	10	4	0	.714	506	315
N.Y. Jets	6	7	0	.462	245	306
Miami	6	8	0	.429	264	279
Buffalo	5	9	0	.357	306	402

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Thinking about what might have been is a complete waste of time. You will always get the chance to do things in the future that make up for what you did, or did not do, in the past. Why worry?

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

You are in a can-do mood at the moment and that's good because the planets indicate that if you make an effort, the results will be spectacular. Jupiter in the money area of your chart could make you a fortune!

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Anything is possible if you want it enough — yes, anything. Identify what it is you most want to accomplish then just go for it, and ignore those who say you are being irresponsible. What do they know? Nothing!

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

If there is something you wanted to finish but for one reason or another failed to see through to the end, don't worry, you'll get another chance. Is it the last chance? Maybe not, but do you want to risk it?

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You can sense that if you want to make changes to your lifestyle you are going to have to make them soon. You have spent enough time thinking and planning, now you must act. It's now or never.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Don't think about what you intend to do. Just do it and let the situation unfold according to its own momentum. The year is too old to make detailed plans. Just take each day, and moment, as it comes.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Try not to tie yourself down to tasks and chores that can be done at any time. Jupiter in your fellow Air sign of Gemini urges you to be adventurous today. Go some place you have never been to before.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

It might be wise not to get too involved in something your friends are clearly enthused about. Don't worry that you might be missing out. On the contrary, you're making time for more important things.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It may be a bit too easy to lose your sense of perspective today as mind planet Mercury opposes Jupiter in your opposite sign. Something will annoy you for sure but you don't have to take it seriously.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You should be promoting yourself for all you are worth, not only because you are worth more than your rivals but because you have something valuable to offer. Leave your mark on the world and make it a big one.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You won't lack for courage or confidence today but you must make sure they are well directed. This is the perfect time to take a creative endeavour to a higher level. Believe you can do it and you'll find a way.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

If you have promised to do something for a loved one then you must do it — immediately. Yes, of course, you did not realize that other factors would come into play but that's irrelevant. Promises must be kept. **SALLY BROMPTON**

Crossword

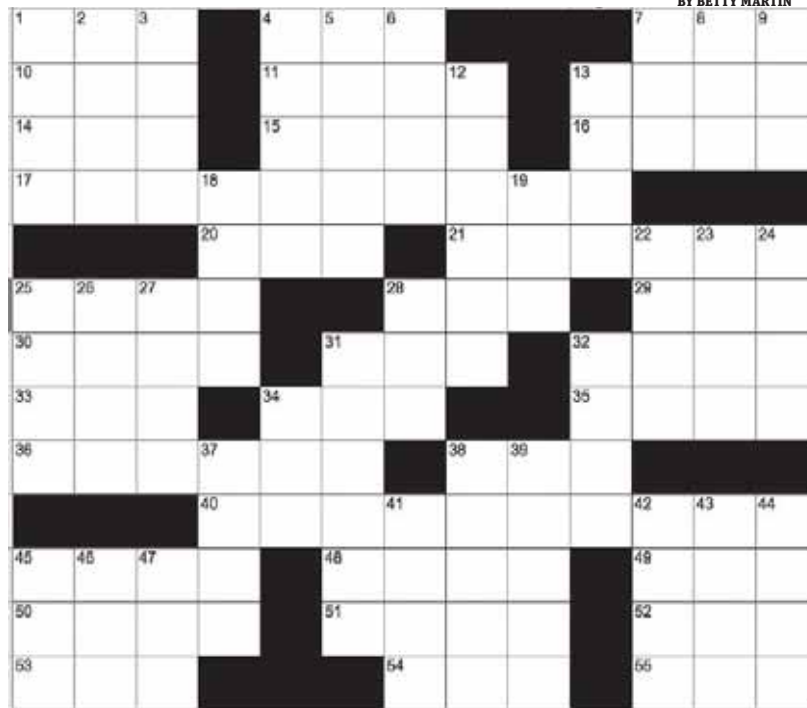
Across

1. Droop in the middle
4. Vacation spot
7. School org.
10. Airport listing
11. Fake fanfare
13. Gait
14. Follower (suffix)
15. Strong handsome horse
16. "Panic —"
17. On the up and up
20. Matter, in law
21. Aftershock
25. Take from the top
28. L.A. Law actress Susan —
29. Gardner of Hollywood
30. Zing
31. Nickname for comedian Bill
32. Shut the door forcefully
33. Founded (abbr.)
34. Touch lightly
35. Jazz great Fitzgerald
36. Front runner
38. Dutch city
40. Give a hand to
45. Group
48. Dublin's land
49. The Naked Truth actress Leoni
50. — of Green Gables
51. Squeal
52. Flub
53. To soak
54. Snake sound
55. Unruly crowd

Down

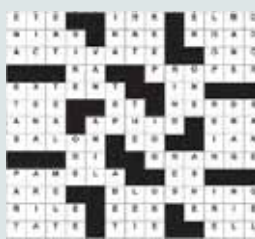
1. Leave port
2. Comic actor Johnson
3. "Little Miss Sunshine" actor Kinnear
4. Aver
5. French capital
6. Sandler or Baldwin
7. In favour of
8. — Close for Comfort
9. Banking machine (abbr.)
12. Wanes
13. "A — Grows in Brooklyn"
18. Take the creases out
19. Attempt
22. Shopping mecca
23. Racetrack shape
24. Hindu deity
25. Rod accompaniment

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26. Threat ending
27. Computer input
28. Speck
31. Kind of beetle
32. Grain
34. Vigor
37. Title for Judi Dench
38. Noblemen
39. Some showdowns
41. Perjures
42. Discussion point
43. Roman Emperor
44. Clothing
45. Road surface
46. Compass bearing (abbr.)
47. Picnic pest

Friday's Crossword



What's online

See today's answers
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Sudoku

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Friday's Sudoku

5	9	1	8	4	2	0	3	7
3	2	6	7	1	5	9	8	4
8	7	4	6	3	0	5	2	1
1	5	7	3	9	6	8	4	2
2	4	9	1	5	8	3	7	6
6	3	8	4	2	7	1	9	5
4	1	2	5	6	3	7	6	9
7	6	5	9	0	4	2	1	3
8	6	3	2	7	1	4	5	8

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1	8		7		9	3		4
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7		3	8		4		5	6
		5			7	9	6	
		1	2					
8			3	9	5			1

Weather

TODAY

TUESDAY

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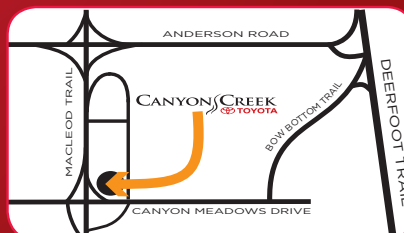
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